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#### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

The Reduced Gravity Program, operated by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), Lyndon B. Johnson Space Center (JSC) in Houston, Texas, provides a "weightless" environment, similar to the environment of space flight.

#### 1.1 Purpose

The purpose of this guide is to provide a guideline for existing and potential visitors to the JSC Reduced Gravity Program. This document outlines and provides safety requirements and local area information relating to visiting researchers.

#### 1.2 Scope

This work instruction applies to all users and potential users of the JSC Reduced Gravity Program.

#### 1.3 References

AOD 33897, Experiment Design Requirements and Guidelines NASA 932 C-9B

AOD 33899, JSC Reduced Gravity Program User's Guide

JPG-1700.1I, JSC Safety and Health Handbook

JSC-20483, JSC Institutional Review Board - Guidelines For Investigators Proposing Human Research For Space Flight And Related Investigations

### 1.4 Reduced Gravity Office Contact Information

Any questions concerning this document, the program, test requirements, test schedules, etc., should be directed to:

Reduced Gravity Office Building 993 Ellington Field Houston, Texas 77034

Call 281-244-9874, fax 281-244-9500 or E-mail: <u>zerog1@jsc.nasa.gov</u>

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## 1.5 List of Acronyms

AOD Aircraft Operations Division

IRB Institutional Review Board

JSC Johnson Space Center

NASA National Aeronautics and Space Administration

OD Olive Drab

RGO Reduced Gravity Office

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### 1.6 Local Area Information

This section provides information on the area surrounding the JSC. It is provided as an aid to researchers and guests and is not intended as endorsement.

### 1.6.1 Maps

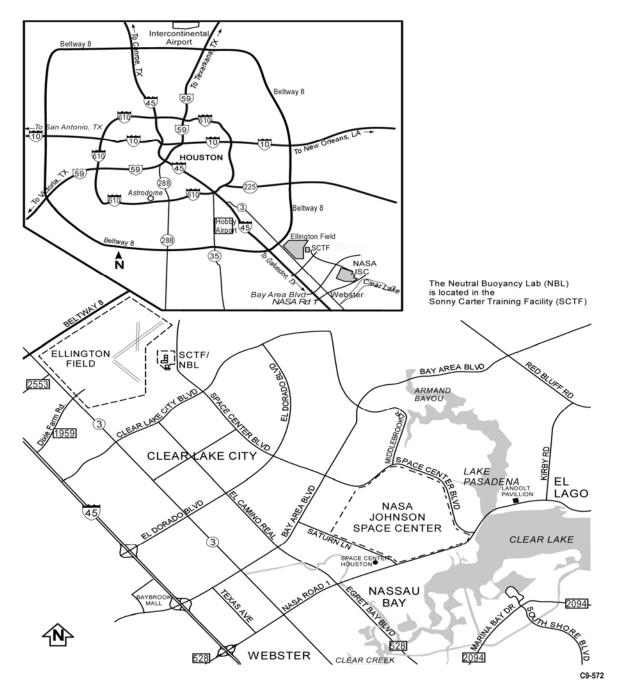


Figure 1. Clear Lake Area Map

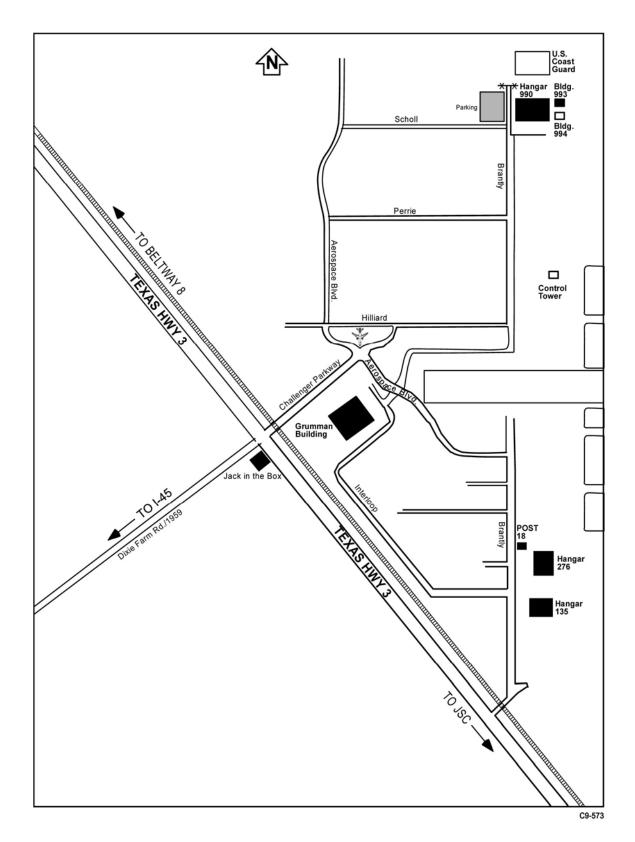


Figure 2. Ellington Field Map

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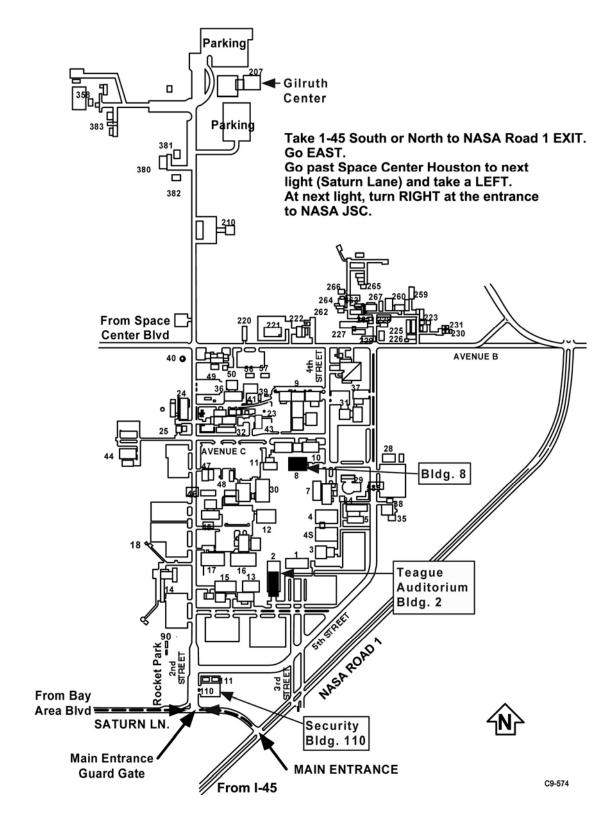


Figure 3. Johnson Space Center Map

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## 1.6.2 Restaurants

| Name                          | Address                                  | Telephone       |
|-------------------------------|--|-----------------|
| Angelo's Pizza & Pasta        | 400 W. Bay Area Blvd.                    | 281-332-2404    |
| Antonini's Subs & Steaks      | 17314 Hwy. 3                             | 281-338-1305    |
| Arby's Roast Beef Restaurant  | 2405 Bay Area Blvd.                      | 281-486-9865    |
| Ashley's Donuts               | 2160 Bay Area Blvd.                      | 281-486-5644    |
| Black-Eyed Pea                | Hwy. 3 & Bay Area Blvd.                  | 281-338-2571    |
| BJ's Restaurant & Brewery     | 515 W. Bay Area Blvd.                    | 281-316-3037    |
| Buffalo Wild Wings            | 528 Bay Area Blvd.                       | 281-338-9464    |
| Burger King                   | 515 El Dorado Blvd.                      | 281-486-8780    |
| Cajun Corner                  | 10904 Scarsdale Blvd.                    | 713-464-6809    |
| Cappricio's Pizza N Subs      | 341 El Dorado Blvd.                      | 281-488-2838    |
|                               |  | (delivery only) |
| Coffee Oasis (Sandwich Shop)  | 1606 Clear Lake City Blvd.               | 281-488-8333    |
| Colosseum Italian Restaurant  | 16608 El Camino Real                     | 281-488-0731    |
| Dairy Queen                   | 225 El Dorado Blvd.                      | 281-286-4717    |
| Don Pico's Mexican Restaurant | 2110 Bay Area Blvd.                      | 281-280-8081    |
| Domino's Pizza                | 1845 El Dorado Blvd.                     | 281-480-7533    |
| Double Dave's Pizza Works     | Bay Area & Space Center Blvd.            | 281-286-DAVE    |
| El Lago Burrito Co.           | 1227 Bay Area & Diana                    | 281-461-0202    |
| Franco Italian Restaurant     | 1101 E. NASA Rd 1                        | 281-488-2207    |
| Gardenia Mexican Restaurant   | 622 FM 1959                              | 281-464-0988    |
|                               | (Dixie Farm Rd.)                         |                 |
| Jack-In-The-Box               | 321 FM 359 S<br>(Ellington Field/Hwy. 3) | 281-375-5224    |
| Jack-In-The Box               | 418 El Dorado Blvd.                      | 281-286-4816    |
| Jason's Deli                  | 541 W. Bay Area Blvd.                    | 281-338-8000    |
| Kentucky Fried Chicken        | 1945 El Dorado Blvd.                     | 281-488-8532    |
| Little Caesar's Pizza         | 576 El Dorado Blvd.                      | 281-486-4041    |
| McDonald's                    | 534 ½ El Dorado Blvd.                    | 281-488-3326    |
| Mr. Gatti's Pizza (Buffet)    | 16607 El Camino Real &<br>Bay Area Blvd. | 281-480-4800    |
| Ninfa's Mexican Restaurant    | 463 Bay Area Blvd.                       | 281-480-4090    |
| Olive Garden                  | 18976 Gulf Frwy.                         | 281-488-1022    |
| Outback Steakhouse            | 481 W. Bay Area Blvd.                    | 281-338-6283    |
| Perry's Steakhouse & Grille   | 487 Bay Area Blvd.                       | 281-286-8800    |
| Perry's Italian Grille        | 1001 Pineloch Dr.                        | 281-488-2626    |
| Perry's Market & Grille       | 12830 Scarsdale                          | 281-481-5214    |
| Pizza Inn                     | 15148 Galveston Rd. (Hwy. 3)             | 281-480-0011    |

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| Name                    | Address                    | Telephone    |
|-------------------------|----------------------------|--------------|
| Quizno's Classic Subs   | 16801 El Camino Real       | 281-282-9700 |
| Salad Express           | 595 W. Bay Area Blvd.      | 281-338-2791 |
| Sonic Drive-In          | 310 W. Bay Area Blvd.      | 281-338-9931 |
| Steak & Ale             | 19222 I-45, Baybrook Mall  | 281-486-9115 |
| Sweet Mesquite: a South | 2412 Bay Area Blvd.        | 281-488-8203 |
| Texas Grill             | (@ Space Center Blvd.)     |              |
| Subway Sandwich Shop    | 1190 Clear Lake City Blvd. | 281-461-6162 |
| Subway Sandwich Shop    | 534 El Dorado Blvd.        | 281-486-8636 |
| Tommy's Patio Café      | 2555 Bay Area Blvd.        | 281-480-2221 |
| Village Pizza & Seafood | 2314 W. Main, League City  | 281-332-3606 |
| Wendy's                 | 16500 El Camino Real       | 281-488-4376 |

## **1.6.3** Hotels

| Name                                    | Address  | Telephone    |
|---|--|--------------|
| Beacon Hill Guest House Bed & Breakfast | 3705 NASA Rd. 1,<br>Seabrook, TX 77586         | 281-326-7643 |
| Best Western Inn                        | 889 W. Bay Area Blvd.,<br>Webster, TX 77598    | 281-338-6000 |
| Best Western Inn                        | 8600 Gulf Frwy.<br>Houston, TX 77017           | 713-910-8600 |
| Brentwood Inn NASA                      | 1300 NASA Parkway,<br>Houston, TX 77058        | 281-333-2500 |
| Boardwalk Inn                           | 8 Kemah Boardwalk,<br>Kemah, TX 77565          | 281-334-9880 |
| Candlewood Hotel Co.                    | 2737 Bay Area Blvd.,<br>Houston, TX 77058      | 281-461-3060 |
| Captain's Quarters Bed &<br>Breakfast   | 701 Bay Avenue,<br>Kemah, TX 77565             | 281-334-4141 |
| Comfort Inn                             | 750 W. NASA Rd. 1,<br>Webster, TX 77598        | 281-332-1001 |
| Courtyard by Marriott                   | 9190 Gulf Frwy.,<br>Houston, TX 77017          | 713-910-1700 |
| Fairwind Corp. Lodging                  | 15900 Space Center Blvd.,<br>Houston, TX 77062 | 281-488-4945 |
| Hilton Nassau Bay & Marina              | 3000 NASA Parkway,<br>Houston, TX 77058        | 281-333-9300 |
| Holiday Inn Express                     | 2720 NASA Parkway,<br>Seabrook, TX 77058       | 281-326-7200 |
| Extended Stay America                   | 720 W. Bay Area Blvd.,<br>Webster, TX 77598    | 281-554-7482 |

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| Name                                    | Address                                       | Telephone    |
|---|---|--------------|
| Studio 6                                | 12700 Featherwood Dr.,<br>Houston, TX 77034   | 281-929-5400 |
| Homewood Suites                         | 401 Bay Area Blvd.,<br>Houston, TX 77058      | 281-486-7677 |
| Microtel Inn and Suites                 | 1620 NASA Parkway,<br>Houston, TX 77058       | 281-335-0800 |
| Motel 6                                 | 1001 W. NASA Parkway,<br>Webster, TX 77598    | 281-332-4581 |
| Passport Inn and Suites                 | 601 Texas Ave.,<br>Kemah, TX 77565            | 281-334-4855 |
| Pelican House Bed & Breakfast           | 1302 1st St.,<br>Seabrook, TX 77586           | 281-474-5295 |
| Quality Inn                             | 904 NASA Parkway,<br>Houston, TX 77058        | 281-333-3737 |
| Ramada Inn NASA                         | 1301 NASA Parkway,<br>Houston, TX 77058       | 281-488-0220 |
| Residence Inn                           | 525 Bay Area Blvd.,<br>Houston, TX 77058      | 281-486-2424 |
| South Shore Harbour Resort              | 2500 S. Shore Blvd., League<br>City, TX 77573 | 281-334-1000 |
| Super 8 Motel                           | 18103 King's Row,<br>Houston, TX 77058        | 281-333-5385 |
| Towneplace Suites Houston Clear<br>Lake | 1050 Bay Area Blvd.,<br>Houston, TX 77058     | 281-286-2132 |

## 1.6.4 Hardware/Specialty Stores

| Name                            | Address   | Telephone    |
|---------------------------------|---|--------------|
| Allied Ace Hardware             | 5203 Fairmont, Pasadena                             | 281-487-9288 |
| EPCO Computer Electronics, Etc. | 110 E. Medical Center Blvd.                         | 281-286-5510 |
| Friendswood Hardware & Supply   | 203 W. Edgewood Ave.                                | 281-482-3487 |
| Home Depot                      | 1514 E. Broadway (SR518)<br>@ Dixie Farm Rd.        | 281-993-1111 |
| Home Depot                      | 20251 Gulf Frwy.<br>(@ NASA Rd. 1), Webster         | 281-554-2420 |
| Home Depot                      | 11820 Dickinson Rd. (I-45<br>Southbound @ Bltwy. 8) | 281-464-2080 |
| Lowe's                          | 2741 E. Broadway (SR518) north of Dixie Farm Rd.    | 281-412-6300 |

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| Name                           | Address   | Telephone    |
|--------------------------------|---|--------------|
| Matheson Tri-Gas Inc.          | 2200 Houston Ave.<br>Houston, TX 77007            | 713-869-7351 |
| Praxair Industrial Gases       | 9200 Telephone Road<br>Houston, TX 77075          | 713-991-8700 |
| Pearland Lumber & Ace Hardware | 2027 N. Main St.                                  | 281-485-1474 |
| Sears Hardware Store           | 2422-A Bay Area Blvd.<br>(@ Space Center Blvd.)   | 281-488-6786 |
| Sears Hardware Store           | 11293 Fuqua (@ I-45<br>Southbound)                | 713-910-0330 |
| Sears, Roebuck & Co.           | 300 Baybrook Mall                                 | 281-486-3174 |
| Space City Ace Hardware        | 3902 NASA Rd. 1                                   | 281-326-3300 |
| Target                         | 1801 W. Bay Area Blvd.<br>(@ I-45, Baybrook Mall) | 281-819-4117 |

#### 2.0 SAFETY POLICY

The JSC Reduced Gravity Program is operated in accordance with established NASA safety procedures. The policies and requirements set forth in this document must be strictly adhered to.

This section describes the general safety policies that all personnel and equipment must comply with in order to occupy, work, and operate on NASA property. Please contact the RGO <u>zerog1@jsc.nasa.gov</u> with any questions regarding safety aspects at Ellington Field.

### 2.1 Johnson Space Center Requirements

All personnel and equipment arriving at JSC, including the Neutral Buoyancy Lab and Ellington Field, must adhere to all JSC safety guidelines as stated in the <u>JPG-1700.1, JSC Safety and Health Handbook</u>. Contact the RGO to request a copy.

#### 2.2 Aircraft Operations Division Requirements

All personnel and equipment arriving at Ellington Field must adhere to the following safety guidelines. A safety briefing will be given to all researchers upon arrival at Ellington Field.

- 1. In the event of an emergency at Ellington Field, **dial x44444** from any NASA phone to immediately contact an Emergency Action Team.
- 2. Identification badges issued by JSC Security must be displayed at all times while on NASA property. (See <u>AOD 33899</u> for Badging Requirements.)
- 3. C-9B researchers and visitors must stay within the immediate vicinity of Building 993 (RGO/High Bay). Admission to any other Ellington Field location is not allowed unless escorted by a NASA Aircraft Operations Division (AOD) badged employee.

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- 4. Smoking is discouraged, but allowed in designated areas. Food and drink is only allowed in designated areas.
- 5. Loose items such as pencils, clothing, jewelry, badges, etc. must be accounted for at all times in order to prevent Foreign Object Debris problems with the aircraft.
- 6. All trash must be carefully placed in provided trash receptacles. Use specialty trash receptacles for batteries, oil rags, chemicals, etc.
- 7. Stay 15 feet away from all aircraft in Hangar 990 unless escorted by a NASA AOD badged employee.
- 8. Do not walk out onto the flight line (location where aircraft/ground support equipment is operated outside the hangar) unless escorted by a NASA AOD badged employee. Be aware of the flight line road immediately in front of the RGO (Building 993). Aircraft tugs, vans, and golf carts frequently travel along the road and pose a hazard to pedestrians in that area.
- 9. Stay at least 200 feet away from all operating aircraft engines.
- 10. Hearing protection is required during all outdoor and flight operations. Foam earplugs are provided through the RGO. [See <u>AOD 33897, Experiment Design Requirements and Guidelines NASA 932 C-9B</u> Noise Level(s).]
- 11. Storage of equipment and materials/supplies must be approved by the RGO prior to its arrival at Ellington Field. All equipment must be properly labeled upon its arrival.
- 12. All equipment (tools, test hardware, fluids, etc.) brought to Ellington Field must be inventoried and accounted for at all times.
- 13. There will be no unattended operation of research or other equipment on the aircraft or in Building 993. Someone familiar with the shut down procedures will be in attendance during any equipment operation. If an experiment is operating unsupervised, the Test Director **will** power the experiment down.

### 2.3 Human Research Policy

All JSC Reduced Gravity Program investigations involving human test subjects, animals, or biological tests must submit a JSC Institutional Review Board (IRB) protocol and obtain written approval prior to the Test Readiness Review.

#### 2.4 Test Personnel

Each researcher will keep the number of personnel that are required to fly to a minimum. Only test personnel with a demonstrated need to participate in the investigation will be allowed to fly. All personnel are required to wear approved flight suits and proper footwear during the flight.

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All researchers will wear the Olive Drab (OD) flight suits. The RGO provides the OD green flight suits on loan. There is no requirement for researchers to purchase their own flight suits. Researchers that wish to purchase their own flight suits may do so; however, flight suits **must** be made of NOMEX III material and the **only** color allowed is OD.

Proper footwear is defined as: boots (combat, hiking) or tennis shoes. In all cases the footwear must be clean. Sandals (or any open toe footwear) are **not** acceptable at any time on the aircraft (loading, during flight, off-loading) or within Ellington Field (EFD) facilities.

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